mentation of the recent Supreme Court Judgement has also changed the number of persons in position in Grade III of the Indian Statistical Service inasmuch as in addition to retainng the officers already promoted to Grade III of the service on the basis of selections held between 31-5-74 to 14-12-83, the officers holding ad-hoc appointments were (I) to be appointed on regular basis to Grade IV of the Indian Statistical Service, (II) then given seniority in Grade IV with effect from the date of their ad-hoc appointment and (III) then appointed to Grade III of the service with retrospective effect, if their seniority in Grade IV so assigned, warranted such appointment to Grade III. The implementation of this decision has given rise to a situation in which there are more officers in position in Grade III of the Service than the number of sanctioned cadre posts in this grade and available ex-cadre, deputation/foreign assignment posts can accommodate. This has necessitated creation of supernumerary posts.

The distribution of officers in position in Grade III of the Indian Statistical Service (as on 15th November, 1986) is as follows:—

(i) the number holding purely cadre posts—163

(ii) the number holding ex-cadre posts —26.

(iii) the number of officers on deputation, foreign assignment etc.,—25

(iv) the number holding supernumerary posts created under the Courts directions.—22

Rotational transfers of staff artists in Doordarshan

3036. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the policy of rotational transfers is not being introduced for staff artists in Doordarshan; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Transfers and postings of staff artists are made to meet specific service needs, requirements of Doordarshan Kendras, to accommodate requests of individuals in bonafide cases, all in public interest for administrative reasons. Rotational transfers are not made as a routine as a measure of economy and for the aforesaid purpose.

Typing test for recruitment of LDCs

3037. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether candidates were called for typing test and interview on the 16th September, 1986 by the Director Survey (AIR), vide his letter No. C2-9287/4-E-2-2 (Clerks) dated the 1st September, 1986 for recruitment to the post of LDC on ad hoc basis;

(b) whether some of the candidates who had crossed 25 years of age on the 16th September, 1986 were disqualified for appearing in the typing test and were asked to go back, if so, what are the reasons for issuing them call letters; and

(c) whether Government have received any representations in this regard, if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir. There is no office/officer known as Director Survey (AIR) in the Directorate General, All India Radio.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Disposal of radioactive wastes

3038. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has so far been made by the Indian Scientists regarding the disposal of radioactive wastes; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the methods being adopted in other